

APPENDIX B: LETTER OF FUNDING COMMITMENT





CITY OF CHICAGO



CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

April 11, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

The Englewood Line Trail is estimated to cost \$68,236,854, out of which the City of Chicago is requesting \$35,000,000 from the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant Program.

This project has been developed with extensive community partnership, is supported by numerous preliminary and complementary plans, and the City of Chicago is fully committed to its construction. Notably, given that most of the project expenditures will be located in historically burdened census tracts, the project is eligible for 0% match.

The purpose of this letter is to confirm the City of Chicago's commitment to funding the remainder of the project costs through local funding and/or other sources upon award of the RAISE funding. Also, as a sign of our commitment and belief in the transformative potential of this project and its alignment with RAISE goals, the Chicago Department of Transportation is prepared to begin preliminary design with local funding.

We are appreciative of your consideration of our request and your ongoing support for our efforts to bring equitable, sustainable, and accessible transportation opportunities and transformative quality of life improvements to our city and its residents.

Sincerely,

Gia Biagi
Commissioner
Chicago Department of Transportation